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C O N F I D E N T I A L CAIRO 4461

KARACHI FOR RCO/RSS; CASABLANCA FOR RTC

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: ACOM ASEC

SUBJECT: UNATTENDED OPERATIONS

REF: STATE 072243

1. BELIEVE SOME POINTS IN REFTEL REQUIRE CLARIFICATION. REFTEL PROPOSES THAT CAIRO UNATTENDED OPERATION UP TO AND INCLUDING CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION WOULD EFFECTIVELY CLEAR CAIRO'S QUEUE OVERNIGHT. UNATTENDED OPERATION, WHILE PROVIDING IMPROVED SERVICE WOULD NOT CLEAR QUEUE OF SECRET CLASSIFICATION TRAFFIC, OF WHICH THIS POST RECEIVES A VERY SIGNIFICANT VOLUME.

2. ADDITIONAL FACTOR TO BE CONSIDERED RE UNATTENDED SERVICES IS SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASING FREQUENCY OF POWER OUTAGES. DURING NORMAL DUTY HOURS, EMERGENCY POWER RESTORES CIRCUIT TO SERVICE AND LOSS OF INCOMING TRAFFIC IS NORMALLY MINIMAL. HOWEVER, DURING NIGHT HOURS, POWER FAILURES WILL SERIOUSLY DISRUPT UNATTENDED SERVICE UNLESS ATS HAS CAPABILITY OF MONITORING CIRCUIT TO DETECT POWER OUTAGES AND REPHASES WHEN CIRCUIT APPEARS TO BE RESTORED. IN GENERAL, POWER OUTAGES NOW OCCURRING AT LEAST ONCE EACH 24-HOUR PERIOD.

3. RCO, ON RECENT SURVEY, HAS SUGGESTED ESTABLISHMENT OF UNCLASSIFIED WIREROOM. EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT INCREASING VOLUME OF UNCLASSIFIED TRAFFIC JUSTIFIES WIREROOM. HOWEVER, TWO VERY CONFIDENTIAL

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IMPORTANT FACTORS INVOLVED ARE: (1) CAN OC RUN ADDITIONAL CIRCUIT,

AND (2) CAN ATS ACCOMMODATE ADDITIONAL CIRCUIT -- OR WOULD ROUTING THROUGH BAX BE CONSIDERED.

4. IF SECOND CIRCUIT NOT POSSIBLE OR PRACTICAL, WOULD RED/BLACK SWITCH BE AVAILABLE?

5. IN ANY CASE, UNATTENDED SERVICE APPEARS TO HAVE POSITIVE ADVANTAGES AND CAIRO REQUESTS INITIATION OF UNATTENDED SERVICE. IF POSSIBLE TO PROGRAM, REQUEST ONLY UNCLASSIFIED TRAFFIC BE TRANSMITTED IN UNATTENDED MODE INITIALLY. WHEN ALARM SYSTEM INSTALLED,

WE WILL REQUEST UNATTENDED OPERATION THROUGH CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION.

7. OC'S COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

8. FOR RTC CASABLANCA: REQUEST INSTALLATION OF ULTRA SONIC ALARM IN CRU. RSO CONCURS.
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